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Re: U.S. Patent Application for:  
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Applicant: Takashi Kumabe et al.  
Our Reference No. NIS-16741

Dear Sir/Madam:

A Certificate of Correction under 35 U.S.C. 255 is hereby requested to correct errors in the above-identified patent. Enclosed herewith is a proposed Certificate of Correction (Form No. PTO/SB/44) for consideration. The fee of \$100.00 is included as some of the errors were made by applicant. If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 18-0160, Our Order No NIS-16741.

It is requested that the Certificate of Correction be completed and mailed at an early date to the undersigned attorney of record. The proposed corrections are obvious ones and do not in any way change the sense of the application.

Very truly yours,

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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On Page 2, in Field (56), under "FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS", in Column 1, Line 3, delete "57-9838" and insert - - 57-9898 - -

In Column 13, Line 34, in Claim 3, after "wherein the battery" delete "or the battery".

In Column 14, Line 37, in Claim 9, after "wherein the battery" delete "or the battery".

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